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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Makoto HIRAHARA et al.

Washington, D.C.

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For: VISITING PLAN GENERATION

Docket No.: HIRAHARA 1

# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Contemporaneous with the filing of this case and
prior to calculation of the filing fee, kindly amend as
follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 2, delete "or 2".

Claim 7, line 2, delete "or 6".

If, inadvertently, a proper multiple dependent claim has not been amended to reduce it to single dependency, please amend it to be dependent solely on the first-mentioned claim, or, if that is not possible, please cancel the claim and notify the undersigned.

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## SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

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Prior to examination upon the merits, kindly amend as follows:

### IN THE CLAIMS

Please add the following claims:

in claim 6, wherein, in case that information on any of said plural groups contains attributes of said group, said attributes being invariable, and group said attributes being invariable, and group constraints for constraining members belonging to said group, and that said group is a variable-member group, plata of initial group formation is also indicated.

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